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1. MISSION COMMENTS ON UNDP COUNTRY PROGRAM, BACKGROUND PAPER FOLLOW.

PARAGRAPHS KEYED TO REF A:

A. UNDP SECTORAL REVIEW PERFORMED ON NEARLY 20 IDENTIFIABLE SECTORS AND AS SUCH EACH SECTOR IS ANALYZED ONLY SUPERFICIALLY. UNDP SECTOR ANALYSES FOR THE MOST PART EMPHASIZE, REFLECT, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AND IN MAY CASES REPEAT GOK'S 1974-1978 DEVELOPMENT PLAN,

PUBLISHED IN MARCH 1974. MISSION FEELS, HOWEVER, THAT, AS RATIONALE FOR ASSISTANCE, UNDP DOCUMENT WEAK AND NON-PERSUASIVE, AND LACKS CLEAR-CUT WELL DEFINED LINKAGES AND ANALYSIS OF GOK PRIORITIES, GOK NEEDS, AND UNDP STRATEGY. MISSION FEELS THIS UNFORTUNATE SINCE, AT TIME OF UNDP BACKGROUND PAPER PUBLICATION, (MAY 1974) THERE WERE NUMBER OF SOPHISTICATED ANALYTICAL DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE ON KENYA, MOST OF WHICH PREPARED BY UN FAMILY: 1972 UNDP/ILO REPORT ON EMPLOYMENT, IBRD BASIC ECONOMIC REPORT, AND IBRD AG SECTOR SURVEY. SPECIFICALLY, THERE NO REAL ATTEMPT BY UNDP TO ANALYZE SECTOR DISINCENTIVES AND BOTTLENECKS, FOR EXAMPLE IN AGRICULTURE, GOK PRICING POLICIES, CREDIT DELIVERY, AND AS SUCH, MISSION FEELS MOST UNDP PROJECTS NOT ADEQUATELY SUPPORTED BY BACKGROUND PAPER ALONE.

B. FOR COMMENTS ON DRAFT COUNTRY PROGRAM SEE PARA. D, REF. UUN.

C. (1) MAIN THEME OF GOK DEVELOPMENT PLAN DIRECTED TO RURAL DEVELOPMENT--THIS ACKNOWLEDGED BY UNDP BACKGROUND PAPER. ALLOWING THAT CERTAIN AG SECTOR PROJECTS ARE SUPPORTIVZSOF RURAL DEVELOPMENT, THEN UNDP PROGRAM SIGNIFICANTLY SUPPORTIVE GOK PLAN. SHOULD ALSO NOTE THAT 1973 OIL CRISIS LED GOK TO SUPPLEMENT 1974-1978 DEVELOPMENT PLAN WITH SESSIONAL PAPER NO. 1 OF 1974 (ISSUED 3/05/74, BUT NOT CONSIDERED BY UNDP WHEN BACKGROUND PAPER DRAFTED) WHICH EMPHASIZED ADDITIONAL GOK CONCERNS, CHIEFLY BOP-RELATED. SOME UNDP PROJECTS CONVENIENTLY FIT THESE ADDITIONAL GOK CONCERNS, E.G., IMPORT SUBSTITUTION INDUSTRIES, MINERAL DEVELOPMENT, NATIONAL SUGAR SURVEY.

(2) NONE.

(3) TO BEST USIAD KNOWLEDGE NO DUPLICATION EXISTS.

(4) REFER REF C.

(5) REFER REF C.

(6) NO PROJECT-SPECIFIC PROBLEMS EVIDENT, BUT REFER PARA D, REF C FOR MISSION CONCERNS RE FUNDING INFLEXIBILITY ENTIRE PROGRAM.

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(7) SEE PARA H, REF C. MISSION SUGGESTS UNDP CONSIDER SETTING ASIDE FUNDS TO BE USED SOLELY FOR THIS TYPE ACTIVITIES.

2. MISSION SUGGEST THAT, PRIOR CONVENING UNDP GOVERNING COUNCIL, US TEAM REVIEW DOCUMENTS CITED PAR 1.A. ABOVE, ALL OF WHICH WE FEEL WOULD BE USEFUL TO REVIEW PRIOR JUNE GC MEETING.

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